live by All India Radio but 15 minute resume were broadcast on the same day for the benefit of listeners. The matches played in Toronto were not covered live because of financial constraints and technical difficulties.

(d) Does not arise .

Air India Service for Hyderabad-Singapore-Kuala Lumpur

257. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Air India propose to connect Hyderabad with Singapore and Kuala Lumpur on reciprocal landing right basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and time by which these flights are likely to be started;

(c) whether the Government also propose to connect Hyderabad with all Gulf countries keeping in view of large population of muslims visiting these countries from Hyderabad; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATRAJAN) : (a) and (b) Air India has no plans at present to start direct operation from Hyderabad to Singapore/Kuala Lumpur. However, the present operation of Indian Airlines between Hyderabad and Bangalore/ Chennai provide immediate connections to Singapore.

(c) and (d) Hyderabad is directly connected to Kuwait, Jeddah, Muscat and Sharjah. Hyderabad is also connected over Mumbai to Dubai, Riyadh, Abu Dhabi,Doha, Dharan and Bahrain. Operation of more direct flights from Hyderabad to Gulf will depend upon traffic potential and availability of aircraft capacity.

Standard of Films

258. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that the films being shown on TV, are not upto the standard and these cannot be seen by whole family members sitting together; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the standard of our culture through TV media?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) and (b) Only those films are telecast on Doordarshan, which are certified by the Central Board of Films Certification for universal screening. Moreover, these are further previewed before their telecast to ensure that they are fit for family viewing.

As far as telecast of films on foreign satellite TV channels are concerned, they do not come within the purview of rules and regulations of this country, as they are uplinked from outside India. Government has already introduced Broadcasting Bill in Parliament , which , *inter alia*, provides for bringing these channels within the purview of Indian laws and regulations.

Purchase by CPWD

259. SHRI I. D. SWAMI : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether CPWD electrical divisions are purchasing inferior quality of electrical items;

(b) if so, the details of the policy/criteria of the Government in this regard;

(c) the names of the items purchased by CPWD electrical divisions in Delhi, during each of the last two years, item-wise,rate-wise;

(d) Whether CPWD has made purchases directly from the manufacturers on rates other than rate contract agreed upon by the DGS & D and the manufacturers;

(e) if so, the names and quality of the items purchased during each of the last two years, manufacturer-wise,Division-wise,month-wise; and

(f) whether CPWD has violated the Government policy/instructions in this regard and if so , the steps taken by the government to check the non-recurrence?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T. G. VENKATARAMAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Normally the purchases in CPWD are made from three sources :

(i) Items which are on rate/running contract with DGS & D are procured by directly placing order through them.

(ii) For items not on rate contract purchases are made by call of competitive quotations.

(iii) Items are also procured from Kendriya Bhandar Super Bazar as per existing Government instructions.

(c) These details are being collected .

(d) Yes, Sir in exceptional circumstances.

(e) The details are being collected.

(f) CPWD have reported that government instructions have not been violated.

Rural Employment Programmes

260. SHRI DEVENDRA BAHADUR RAI : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the targets fixed and achievements made under each of the rural employment schemes in physical and financial terms during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government are providing any incentives to the skilled rural artisans for establishing industrial units on large scale;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether traditional skilled artisans are still unemployed in rural areas of the country ; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by the Government for their rehabilitation ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) The major wage employment and self employment programmes under various rural employment schemes are being implemented in the rural areas in the country, namely, (i) Jawahar Rozgar Yojana(JRY),(ii) Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) and (iii) Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP). The Financial & Physical achievements made under these schemes during last three years are given in Statements I to VI .

(b) to (e) Under the scheme of Training of Rural Youth for Self employment (TRYSEM) , technical skill are imparted to poor rural artisans in the age group of 18 to 35 years from the families below poverty line to enable them to take up self-employment. Under the scheme of supply of Improved Toolkits to Rural Artisans(SITRA), the rural artisans are provided with the improved toolkits within the financial ceilling of Rs.2,000/- with the objective of enabling the rural artisans to enhance the quality of their products, increasing their production and income and reducing their migration to the urban areas and their drudgery. The supply of power-driven tools subject to a ceiling of Rs.4500 has also been permitted under the schemes. Under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), the rural poor artisans are also provided financial assistance by extending loans through banks for setting up their ventures with a view to providing them self-employment through income generating activities. Each assisted family is also given subsidy ranging from 25% to 50% of the loan amount. The scheme also allows for a flexible design of investment. Ministry of Industry is also implementing a scheme, namely prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana(PMRY) for providing self-employment to educated unemployed youths in rural youths for setting up their ventures through industry, service and business routes. Under this scheme, theGovernment of India also provides subsidy @ 15% of the project cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.7,500 per entrepreneure under the said scheme, the State/UT Govts. have also been requested to provide necessary infrastructure support like, provision of industrial sites, sheds shop and power connection etc. The traditional skilled artisans, which are still unemployed in rural areas of the country is not monitored by this Ministry.

Statement-I

Resources Allocated & Utilised under JRY during 1994-95,1995-96 and 1996-97

(Rs. Lakhs)

Sl. No.	State/UT	1994-95		1995-96		1997-98	
		Allocation	Utilisation	Allocation	Utilisation	Allocation	Utilisation
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	33343.71	36264.38	37232.40	34556.90	17372.39	17488.47
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	322.51	222.22	329.58	357.12	178.30	198.33
3.	Assam	8921.21	10386.94	10820.18	9583.33	5718.18	4543.21
4.	Bihar	70386.81	50731.49	78598.18	62281.95	34075.58	30563.53
5.	Goa	348.46	372.24	356.09	363.47	192.65	226.26
6.	Gujarat	13635.36	14166.06	14754.11	12824.42	6376.25	6280.49
7.	Haryana	2389.1	2583.42	3398.28	3304.78	1531.81	1371.79
8.	Himachal Pradesh	1107.26	1150.10	1149.09	1001.19	612.16	745.94
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	3103.75	2813.23	3381.00	2534.38	1243.93	994.37
10.	Karnataka	22911.44	23746.02	24422.41	24908.76	11665.34	12015.30